Financial Report
December 31, 2008

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Release Date\_\_

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### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

The Board of Commissioners of the Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish Crowley, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish, a component unit of the Acadia Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish's management is responsible for these financial statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America. A review consists principally of inquiries of the Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District's personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and the provisions of state law, we have issued a report dated June 8, 2009 on the results of our agreed-upon procedures.

Management has not presented the Management's Discussion and Analysis that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined are required to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

The budgetary comparison schedule on page 20 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have compiled the budgetary comparison schedule from information that is the representation of management of the Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish without audit or review. Accordingly we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information.

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Rayne, Louisiana June 8, 2009

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### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS Year ended December 31, 2008

ASSETS	Governmental Activities
Cash Certificates of deposit Property taxes receivable Due from other governmental agencies Depreciable capital assets, net	\$ 3,934 16,649 227,603 9,077 109,006
Total Assets	\$ 366,269
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
LIABILITIES Note payable Pension fund deduction payable Long-term liabilities: Portion due or payable within one year - Bonds payable Portion due or payable after one year - Bonds payable Total Liabilities	\$ 32,050 7,608 18,000 124,000 \$ 181,658
NET ASSETS Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted	\$ 109,006 75,605
Total Net Assets	\$ 184,611
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 366,269

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended December 31, 2008

Expenses:	
Governmental activities -	
Public works	\$ 189,846
Interest on long-term debt	 7,367
Total governmental activities	\$ 197,213
General revenues:	
Property taxes	\$ 227,603
State revenue sharing	18,557
Other revenue	4,218
Investment earnings	 754
Total general revenues	\$ 251,132
Change in net assets	\$ 53,919
Net assets, beginning	130,692
Net assets, ending	\$ 184,611



### BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended December 31, 2008

ASSETS	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Cash Certificates of deposit Property taxes receivable State revenue sharing receivable	\$ 3,757 16,649 227,603 9,077	\$ 177 - - -	\$ 3,934 16,649 227,603 9,077
Total Assets	\$ 257,086	\$ 177	\$ 257,263
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
LIABILITIES Pension fund deduction payable Total Liabilities	\$ 7,608 \$ 7,608	<u>\$</u> -	\$ 7,608 \$ 7,608
FUND BALANCES Unreserved and undesignated	\$ 249,478	\$ 177	\$ 249,655
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 257,086	\$ 177	\$ 257,263

### RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS Year Ended December 31, 2008

Total fund balances - Governmental funds

\$ 249,655

Total net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets is different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the governmental funds.

Machinery and equipment, net

109,006

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and are therefore not reported in the governmental funds.

Bonds payable Notes payable (142,000) (32,050)

Net Assets of Governmental Activities

\$ 184,611

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended December 31, 2008

	General Fund			Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds	
Revenues: Property Taxes State revenue sharing Other revenues Investment earnings	\$	227,603 18,557 4,218 721	\$	- - - 33	\$	227,603 18,557 4,218 754
Total Revenues	\$	251,099	_\$	33	_\$_	251,132
Expenditures: Current - Public works:						
Salaries and related benefits Telephone Insurance Fuel Accounting and legal Pension deduction Repairs and maintenance Spraying Equipment leasing and renting Subcontracting Uncollected taxes Capital outlay Miscellaneous Debt Service: Interest expense Principal payments	\$	39,694 1,099 14,162 22,420 7,200 7,608 12,407 16,089 30,491 2,050 10,523	\$	7,367 52,000	\$	39,694 1,099 14,162 22,420 7,200 7,608 12,407 16,089 30,491 2,050 10,523 564 7,367 52,000
Total Expenditures	\$	164,307	_\$	59,367		223,674
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$	86,792	\$	(59,334)	\$	27,458
Other financing sources (uses): Loan Proceeds Transfers in Transfers out	\$	32,000 - (59,368)	\$	59,368 	\$	32,000 59,368 (59,368)
Total other financing sources (uses)	_\$_	(27,368)		59,368		32,000
Net change in fund balances	\$	59,424	\$	34	\$	59,458
Fund balances, beginning		190,054		143		190,197
Fund balance, ending	\$	249,478	\$	177	\$	249,655

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

53,919

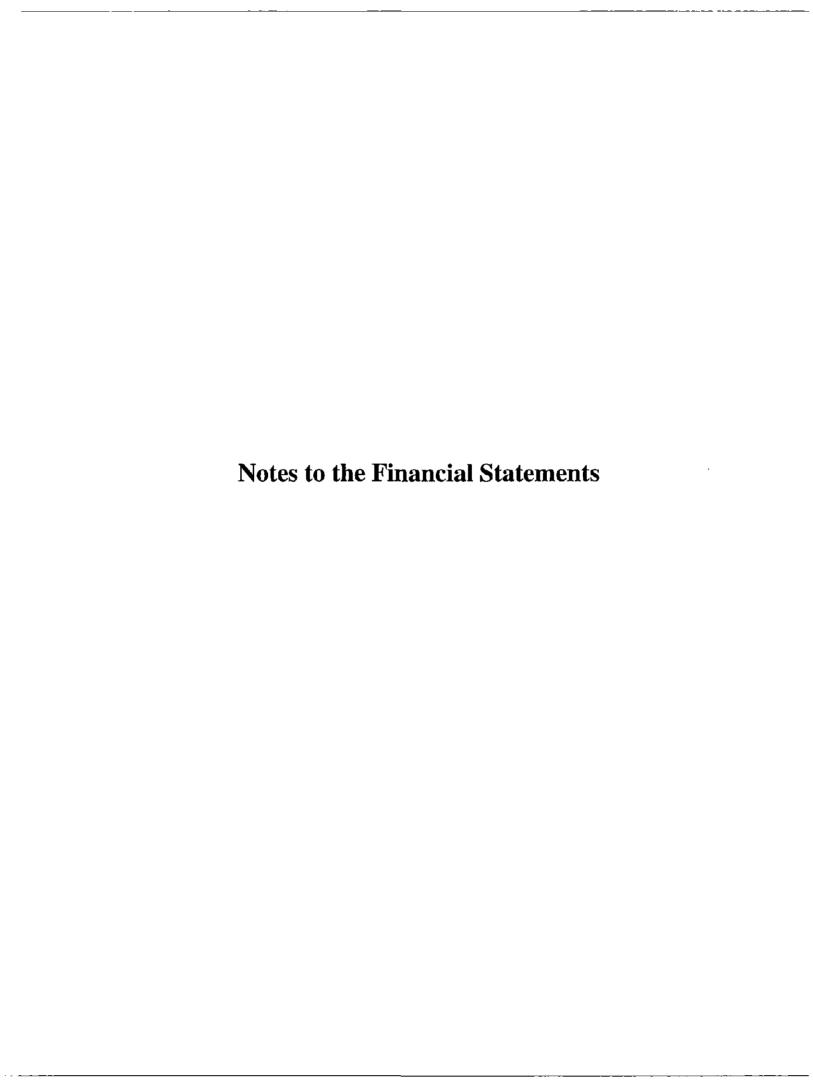
# FIFTH WARD CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY

# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended December 31, 2008

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 59,458
The change in net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities is different because:	
The governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the costs of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.	
Depreciation expense	(25,489)
Note proceeds provide current financial resources to government funds; however issuing debt increases liabilities in the statement of net assets.	(32,050)
Repayment of principal on bonds payable is an expenditure in the governmental fund in the fund financial statements, but reduces the liability in the statement of net assets in the government-wide financial statements.	52,000

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental audits. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for the state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The more significant accounting policies of the District are described below.

### Reporting Entity:

The District, a component of the Acadia Parish Police Jury, was created by the Acadia Parish Police Jury as authorized by Louisiana Revised Statue 38:1841. The ordinance creating this consolidated gravity drainage district was dated April 10, 1984, and combined three existing drainage districts: (1) Fifth Ward Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of the Parish of Acadia, (2) Fifth Ward Gravity Drainage District No. 2 of the Parish of Acadia, and (3) Fifth Ward Gravity Drainage District No. 3 of the Parish of Acadia. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners, appointed by the Acadia Parish Police Jury, and is authorized to construct, maintain, and improve the system of gravity drainage within the district.

### Basis of presentation:

The District's basic financial statements consist of the government-wide statements and the fund financial statements. The statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units.

### Government-wide financial statements -

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net assets and the statement of activities of the District. The statement of net assets and statement of activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. The statements distinguish between governmental and business type activities. The District had no business type activities for the year ended December 31, 2008. Governmental activities are generally financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange transactions. In the process of aggregating data for the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the funds were eliminated or reclassified. Interfund receivables and payables were eliminated to minimize the "grossing up" effect on assets and liabilities within the governmental activities column.

In the government-wide statement of net assets, the governmental activities are reported on a full accrual, economic resources basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The District's net assets are reported in two parts - invested in capital assets, net of related debt and unrestricted.

The government-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the District's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, etc.) The statement of activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflect capital-specific grants.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The District reports all direct expenses by function in the government-wide statement of activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Depreciation expense is included as a direct expense. Interest on long-term debt for the governmental activities is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the statement of activities. The net cost (by function) is normally covered by general revenue (property taxes, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.). This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the District as an entity and the change in the District's net assets resulting from the current year's activities.

#### Fund financial statements -

The accounts of the District are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance related legal and contracted provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds. The emphasis of the fund financial statements is on major individual governmental funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – This is the District's primary fund. It accounts for all of the District's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District and accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Debt Service Fund – This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term obligation principal, interest, and related costs.

### Basis of accounting:

Government-wide financial statements -

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows takes place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

### Fund financial statements -

Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year they are billed. All other receivables collected within 60 days after year end are considered available and recognized as revenue of the current year.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

#### Cash:

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, with paying agent, and on hand.

#### Investments:

State statutes authorize the District to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana.

The District's investments at December 31, 2008 consisted of time certificates of deposit purchased from local financial institutions. These certificates are not subject to GASB Statement No. 31 requirements; thus, they are stated at cost.

#### Pensions:

Employees of the District are covered under the Federal Insurance Contribution Act (social security). The employees and the District contribute equally to the system. Pension expenditures, as shown with expenditures, is the amount deducted from property taxes for sheriff and assessor plans, as provided by state law.

### Fixed Assets:

The accounting treatment over property and equipment (fixed assets) depends on whether the assets are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

### Government-wide financial statements -

The District's property and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical costs and comprehensively reported in the government-wide financial statements. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations. Estimated useful lives, in years, for furniture and equipment are 5-15 years.

### Fund financial statements -

In the fund financial statements, fixed assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

### Compensated absences:

Full-time employees of the District with more than one year of service are allowed two weeks of vacation leave each year; full-time employees with one year of service or less are allowed one week of vacation leave each year. Sick leave is granted on an individual basis as the need occurs. Vacation and sick leave may not be accumulated and carried into the future years.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Long-term debt:

The accounting treatment of long-term debt depends on whether the debt is reported in the government-wide financial statements.

Government-wide financial statements -

In the government-wide financial statements, outstanding debt is reported as liabilities and bond issuance costs are capitalized. At December 31, 2008 the amount of bond issue costs is determined immaterial to the financial statements and, therefore, not recorded.

Fund financial statements -

The governmental fund financial statements recognize the proceeds of debt as other financing sources of the current period. Issuance costs are reported as expenditures. For fund reporting, bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized in the period the bonds are issued. Issuance costs, even if withheld from the actual net bonds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

### Equity classifications:

Government-wide statements -

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in two components:

- 1. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- 2. Unrestricted net assets All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

The District had no restricted assets.

Fund financial statements -

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated.

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting** 

The Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 uses the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements.

- 1. The Board prepares a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- 2. Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3. The budget is employed as a management control device during the year that assists its user in financial activity analysis.

All budget appropriations lapse at year-end. The budgets presented are the originally adopted budget and the final amended budget.

### Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### Note 2. Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District requires that banks pledge their own securities to cover any amount in excess of Federal Depository Insurance Coverage the District may have on deposit with those banks. These securities must be held in the District's name. Accordingly, the District has no custodial credit risk at December 31, 2008.

### Note 3. Property Taxes Receivable

Property taxes receivable consists of taxes due from taxpayers and taxes collected in December of 2008 by the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office, but not remitted to the District until 2009.

### Note 4. Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended December 31, 2008 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	<u></u> I	ncreases	<u>r</u>	ecreases_	 Ending Balance
Governmental activities:  Capital assets being depreciated -  Machinery and Equipment	\$ 234,733	\$	-	\$	(11,540)	\$ 223,193
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (100,238)		(25,489)		11,540	 (114,187)
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 134,495	_\$_	(25,489)	_\$_		\$ 109,006

Depreciation was charged to functions as follows:

Governmental activities:
Public works

\$ 25,489

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Note 5. Property Taxes

Government-wide financial statements -

Property taxes are recognized in the year for which they are levied net of uncollectible amounts, as applicable.

Fund financial statements -

Property taxes attach as an enforceable item on property as of January 1 or each year. Billed taxes are due by December 31, becoming delinquent on January 1 of the following year.

Taxes are budgeted and the revenue recognized in the year they are billed.

The taxes are based on assessed values determined by the Tax Assessor of Acadia Parish and are collected by the Sheriff. The taxes are remitted to the District net of deductions for Pension Fund contributions.

The District authorized and levied general corporate taxes of 8.24 and 8.56 mills for the year ended December 31, 2008.

The taxable value of the property tax for December 31, 2008 is \$13,547,812 net of the homestead exemption. Total taxes levied, exclusive of homestead exemptions, was \$227,603 for 2008, all of which is considered collectible.

### Note 6. Per Diem Paid to the Board of Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners receives no per diem for attendance of meetings for the year ended December 31, 2008. The Board of Commissioners at December 31, 2008 includes:

Tommy Carlson	Randy K. Thibodeaux
Ctachas Illamia	Wayna Wild

Robert Walton

Stephen Hamic

Wayne Wild

### Note 7. Long-Term Liabilities

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended December 31, 2008:

	eginning Balance	Inc	reases	 Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental activities: Certificate of Indebtedness,					
Series 2003	\$ 35,000	\$	-	\$ (35,000)	\$ _
Series 2006	 159,000			(17,000)	142,000
Total	\$ 194,000	\$	-	\$ (52,000)	\$ 142,000

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Long-term liabilities of the District is comprised of the following at December 31, 2008:

	Balance Outstanding	Amount Due in One Year
Certificates of Indebtedness dated February 9, 2006, due in annual installments through March 2015 at an interest rate or 4.50%.	\$ 142,000	\$ 18,000
Total	\$ 142,000	\$ 18,000

On February 9, 2006, the District issued \$175,000 of Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2006 due in annual installments of \$17,000 - \$23,000 through March 1, 2015, at an interest rate of 4.50%. The debt will be retired from the proceeds of the 8.56 mills ad valorem tax.

The annual debt service requirements to maturity of all long-term liabilities outstanding as of December 31, 2008 is as follows:

Year Ending			
December 31,			
2008	Principal	Interest	Total
2009	18,000	5,985	23,985
2010	19,000	5,152	24,152
2011	19,000	4,297	23,297
2012-2015	86,000	7,965	93,965
	\$ 142,000	23,399	165,399

Interest costs incurred and expensed for the year ended December 31, 2008 totaled \$7,367. This amount relates to governmental activities and is reported as a separate line item on the statement of activities.

The District obtained a loan from Bank of Commerce for \$32,000 payable within one year.

### Note 8. Interfund Transfers

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2008 were as follows:

	General
Transfers to: Debt Service Fund	\$ 59,368

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) more unrestricted revenues collected in one fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

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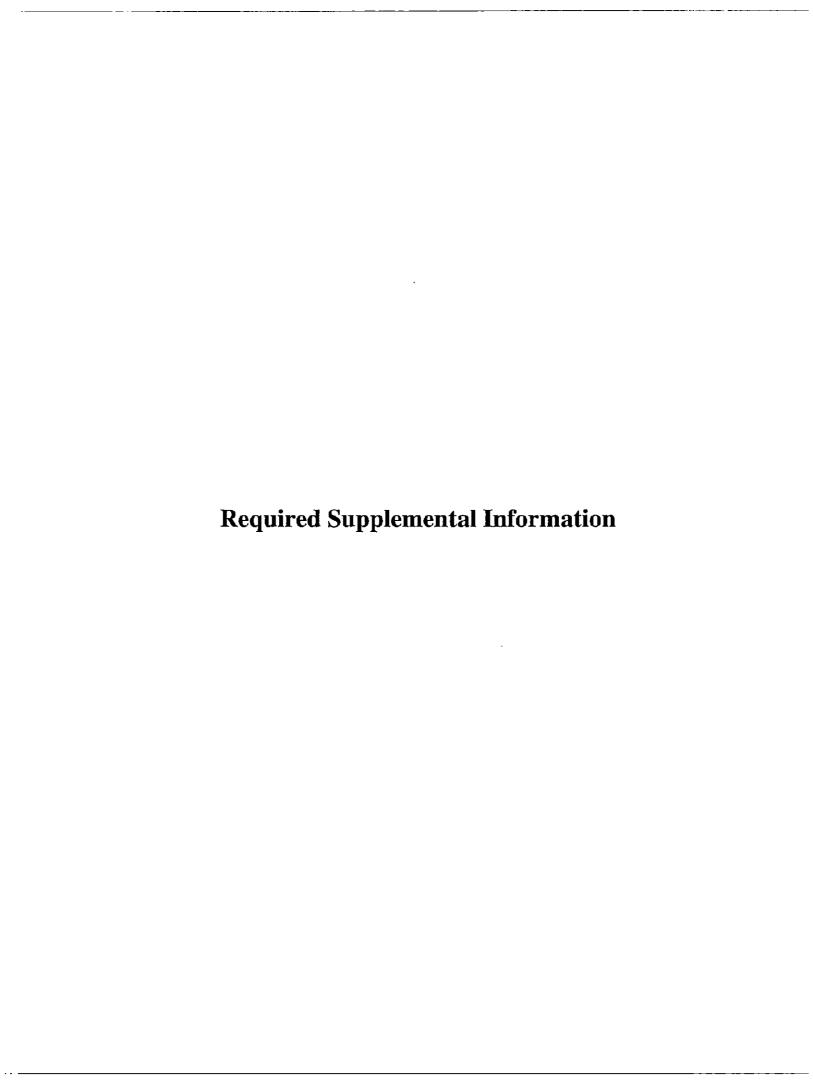
### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Note 9. Contingent Liabilities

The Drainage District is a defendant in a lawsuit as of December 31, 2008. Although the outcome of this lawsuit is not presently determinable, in the opinion of the District's attorney and management, a judgment rendered in favor of the plaintiff or payments resulting from a compromise settlement, if any, will be within the limits of the various insurance coverages carried by the District.

### Note 10. Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District purchases commercial insurance to cover any claims related to these risks.



### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND

Year Ended December 31, 2008

_	Original Budget		Final Budget		Actual		Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
Revenues:	\$	100.000	\$	189,000	\$	227,603	\$	38,603
Property Taxes State revenue sharing	Ф	188,000 8,400	Þ	18,000	Ф	18,557	Þ	30,003 557
Other revenue		8,400		•		4,218		4,218
Investment earnings		1,250		- 700		721		4,210 21
Total Revenues	\$	197,650	\$	207,700	\$	251,099	\$	43,399
Total Revenues	Φ	177,030	Ψ.	207,700	Ψ	231,077	<u> </u>	70,000
Expenditures:								
Current								
Public works:								
Salaries and related benefits	\$	68,000	\$	40,000	\$	39,694	\$	306
Telephone		1,200		1,200		1,099		101
Insurance		14,000		14,000		14,162		(162)
Fuel		20,000		25,000		22,420		2,580
Accounting and legal		7,700		7,700		7,200		500
Pension deduction		-		-		7,608		(7,608)
Repairs and maintenance		5,000		12,500		12,407		93
Spraying		15,000		53,000		16,089		36,911
Equipment leasing and renting		2,000		31,000		30,491		5 <b>09</b>
Subcontracting		-		2,000		2,050		(50)
Uncollected taxes		-		-		10,523		(10,523)
Capital Outlay		2,000		2,000		-		2,000
Miscellaneous		640		540_		564_		(24)
Total Expenditures	\$	135,540	\$	188,940	\$	164,307	\$	24,633
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$	62,110	\$	18,760	\$	86,792	\$	68,032
								-
Other financing sources (uses):								
Loan proceeds	\$	-	\$	32,000	\$	32,000	\$	-
Transfers out		(60,000)		(60,000)		(59,368)		632
Total other financing uses	\$	(60,000)	\$	(28,000)	\$	(27,368)	\$	632
Net change in fund balance	\$	2,110	\$	(9,240)	\$	59,424	\$	68,664
Fund Balance, beginning		190,054		190,054		190,054		
Fund Balance, end of year	\$	192,164	\$	180,814	\$	249,478	\$	68,664

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

The Board of Commissioners

Of the Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity
Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish
Crowley, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended December 31, 2008, included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

### **Public Bid Law**

1. Select all expenditures made during the year for materials and supplies exceeding \$20,000, or public works exceeding \$100,000, and determine whether such purchases were made in accordance with LSA-RS 38:2211-2251 (the public bid law)

The District had no expenditures for materials and supplies in excess of \$20,000 and no public works expenditures in excess of \$100,000 during the year ended December 31, 2008.

### Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

 Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics), and a list of outside business interests of all board members and employees, as well as their immediate families.

Management provided us with the required list of board members, including the noted information.

3. Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.

Management provided us with the required list

4. Determine whether any of those employees included in the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (3) were also included on the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedures (2) as immediate family members.

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None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by management [agreed-upon procedure (3)] appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure (2).

### Budgeting

5. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

Management provided us with a copy of the original budget and the amendment made to the budget during the period covered.

6. Trace the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.

We traced the adoption of the original budget to the minutes of a meeting held on December 12, 2007. The amended budget was adopted on December 15, 2008.

7. Compare the revenues and expenditures for the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more or if actual expenditures exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Actual revenues did not fail to meet budgeted amount by 5% or more and actual expenditures did not exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

### Accounting and Reporting

- 8. Randomly select six disbursements made during the period under examination and:
  - a. Trace payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee;

We examined supporting documentation for five of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee. An invoice could not be found for one of the six selected disbursements.

b. Determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account

Five of the six payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account. One of the six payments could not be determined if it was properly coded due to the fact that the invoice could not be found.

c. Determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

Inspection of the minutes of the Board meetings indicates that the Board approved five of the six selected disbursements. There was one disbursement that an invoice was not found and there was no approval in the minutes due to it being paid upon purchase. The amount of the transaction was for \$39.65.

### Meetings

9. Examine evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:1-12 (the open meetings law).

Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish is only required to post a notice of each meeting and the accompanying agenda on the door of the District's office building. Management has asserted that such documents were properly posted.

### Debt

10. Examine bank deposits for the period under examination and determine whether any such deposits appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

We inspected copies of all bank deposit slips for the period under examination and did not note any deposits, which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

### **Advances and Bonuses**

11. Examine payroll records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments have been made to employees that may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

A reading of the minutes of the District for the year did not reveal any such payments. We also inspected payroll records for the year and did not note any instance which would indicate payments to employees, or would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

### **Prior Comments and Recommendations**

Our prior year review dated June 13, 2008, did not include any comments or unresolved matters.

We were not engaged to, and did not perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of Fifth Ward Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Acadia Parish, and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statue 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Brupbacher & Associates
A Professional Accounting Corporation

Rayne, Louisiana June 8, 2009

# LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE (For Attestation Engagements of Government)

<u>2-18-09</u> (Date Transmitted)
BRUPBACHER & ASSOCIATES, APAC
P.O. BOX 34
RAYNE, LOUISIANA 70578
(Auditors)
In connection with your review of our financial statements as of [date] and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, we make the following representations to you. We accept full responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our compliance with the following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.
These representations are based on the information available to us as of (date of completion/representations).
Public Bid Law
It is true that we have complied with the public bid law, LSA-RS Title 38:2212, and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchasing Office  Yes [/] No [ ]
Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees
It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1101-1124.  Yes [/] No [ ]
t is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1119.  Yes [  ] No [ ]
Budgeting
We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (LSA-RS 39:1301-14) or the budget requirements of LSA-RS 39:34.
Yes [ No [ ]
Accounting and Reporting
All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by LSA-RS 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.
Yes Mo[]

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with LSA-RS 24:514, 33:463, and/or 39:92, as applicable.
Yes [✓] No [ ]
We have had our financial statements audited or compiled in accordance with LSA-RS 24:513.  Yes [✓] No [ ]
Meetings
We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in RS 42:1 through 42:12.
42.12. Yes [ ] No [ ]
Debt
It is true we have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and LSA-RS 39:1410.60-1410.65.  Yes [ No [ ]
Advances and Bonuses
It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, LSA-RS 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.
Yes [✓ No [ ]
We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations. We have made available to you documentation relating to the foregoing laws and regulations.
We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We acknowledge our responsibility to disclose to you any known noncompliance which may occur subsequent to the issuance of your report.
Secretary 21819 Date
Treasurer 21809 Date
Thomas Carlan President 7/8/19 Date

### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS Year Ended December 31, 2008

There are no prior year findings.

### SCHEDULE OF CURRENT FINDINGS AND CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN Year Ended December 31, 2008

2008-1 Budget Violation

Finding:

The District's expenditures exceeded its budget by more than 5%.

Recommendation:

Management should continue to utilize the budget and make revisions as they become necessary.

Management's Response:

Management will continue to utilize the budget and make revisions as they become necessary.